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Operational summary No. 0382. 64th IAK HQ, Antung.
16 December 1951 2400 hrs. Map scale 1:500,000 1941.

I.

1. On 16 December 1951, corps' air assets on airfield stand-by intercepted enemy aircraft during the day, providing air cover for targets in the Antung-Tabin-Anju area.

Eighty combat sorties were flown totaling 68 hours and 53 minutes. Of these, the 303rd IAD conducted 46 sorties totaling 37 hours 45 minutes and the 324th IAD conducted 36 sorties totaling 31 hours 8 minutes.

Corps staff conducted one sortie and engaged enemy fighters once. There were no enemy or friendly losses. A total of 449 shells were expended: 58 N-37's and 152 NS-23's by the 303rd IAD; 69 N-37's and 170 NS-23's by the 324th IAD.

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Of the 324th IAD's 54 MiG-15's, eleven are not combat ready (one is undergoing preventive maintenance; five require replacement engines; two need engine repairs; and three are under repair). There are 79 fliers - 54 are combat ready, (of these, four are at HQ; six are unpaired) nineteen are ill, and six are on leave. There are 38 combat-ready aircraft.

II.

1. Enemy aircraft did enter the Antung anti-aircraft zone of fire, thus the 92nd Anti-aircraft Battalion did not fire.

2. On the night of 15-16 December 1952 at 1925 hrs, one B-29 conducted reconnaissance on the Tabin and Napsi airfields at an altitude of 6300 meters. At 1215 hrs on 16 December 1951, two F-86's flew across the anti-aircraft zone of fire at an altitude of 2000 meters. Units of the 87th Anti-aircraft battalion fired on all of the enemy aircraft. Shells expended: 66 - 88 mm and 202 - 37 mm. There were no enemy or friendly losses.

3. Fighting strength and the locations of the anti-aircraft units are unchanged.

III.

Interrogation of two American prisoners of war, F-86 pilots shot down ~~by Corps' pilots~~ [crossed out] in dogfights on 24 October 1951, has revealed that the enemy has two pilots for each F-86 aircraft. This apparently is done to increase the number of personnel receiving battle experience and to decrease the workload of each flyer.

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